

Information Sheet

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ZONING ORDINANCES AND YOU

Why Zoning?

Zoning is an attempt to create compatible land uses in such a way that the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the community are promoted.

What can I do if I have a problem in my neighborhood?

Brigham City recommends that you contact the suspected offender and work out a solution. It is Brigham City's experience that most people do not know that they are violating the law. A polite reminder from a friend or neighbor may be all that it takes to clear up a violation. The City encourages citizen groups to form and help those neighbors who do not have the resources or ability to fix up their property. Brigham City has located some grants to help assist lower income assist in the cost. The Mayor recognizes such special activities with awards and commendations.

What should I do if the problem cannot be resolved between neighbors?

In the extreme case that the situation can not be resolved in a friendly manner, its time to call Neighborhood Improvement Coordinator (NIC). You will be asked the property address, the property's owner's name, and the nature of the violation. Additionally, you will be asked to give your name and phone number. In all cases, your name will be kept confidential, and cannot be released in any event without a court

order. After the complaint is received, the NIC Officer will try to resolve the violation in a friendly manner.

Is there a Penalty for Violating a City Ordinance?

Occasionally, a zoning violation may end up in a court of law. The penalty for violating a zoning code ordinance is a Misdemeanor up to three (3) months in jail and/or \$500.00 fine.

What should I do if I am notified that my property is in violation?

If you are notified that you are in violation of a zoning ordinance, the first notice will give you between 10-14 days to resolve the problem. If you have **ANY** questions about the notice, please call the number listed on the notice. If you have trouble meeting the deadline to comply with the violation, please call and apply for an extension. Brigham City tries to accommodate any citizen who is truly trying to cooperate.

If I don't like a Zoning Law, How can I change it?

If you have any questions please call the Brigham City Community Division at 435-734-6619.